



PATENT APPLICATION

## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Appln. No.: 09/891,655

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Examiner:

For:

METAL OXIDE POWDER AND METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF THE SAME

## SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Supplemental to the Preliminary Amendment filed June 27, 2001, and prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

## Please enter the following amended claim:

4. (Twice Amended) The metal oxide powder according to claim 1, wherein said ratio of a primary particle size to an agglomerated particle size is from 1 to 3.